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TAGS: PFOR, RH

SUBJ: NKOMO'S ASSESSMENT OF RHODESIAN DEVELOPMENTS

QM IN A LENGTHY ARTICLE APPEARING IN SUNDAY TIMES OF ZAMBIA  
APRIL 10, JOSHUA NKOMO GIVES HIS VIEWS ON RHODESIA. THESE ARE  
ESSENTIALLY A SUMMARY OF WHAT HE HAS SAID BEFORE AND COVERED THE  
FOLLOWING: ATROCITIES OF SMITH REGIME; ARGUMENT THAT FREEDOM  
MOVEMENT IS NON-RACIST; FRONTLINE RECOGNITION OF PATRIOTIC FRONT  
IS JUSTIFIED BY THE FRONT'S MILITARY CAPABILITIES; ENDORSEMENT DOES  
NOT MEAN THAT FRONTLINE IS ATTEMPTING TO DICTATE WHO GOVERNS AN  
INDEPENDENT ZIMBABWE; FORMATION OF PATRIOTIC FRONT IS INSURANCE  
AGAINST TOO MANY ARMIES WHICH MIGHT LEAD TO A CIVIL WAR;  
CONDEMNATION OF A REFERENDUM HELD UNDER SMITH'S AUTHORITY;  
PATRIOTIC FRONT IS INCLUSIVE, NOT EXCLUSIVE; SMITH HAS NO  
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INTENTION OF RELINQUISHING CONTROL THROUGH NEGOTIATIONS; THE BRITISH  
ARE CODDLING SMITH IN AN EFFORT TO PROTECT INTERESTS OF THEIR KITH  
AND KIN IN RHODESIA; RICHARD AND SMITH ALONE DECIDED TO BURY  
THE GENEVA CONFERENCE; BY THEIR DECISION, THEY HAVE CHOSEN WAR; IF  
THE BRITISH WANT TO CALL A CONFERENCE ON GENEVA, THE PURPOSE  
OF THE CONFERENCE SHOULD BE CLEARLY STATED AS BEING TO TRANSFER  
POWER TO THE ZIMBABWE MAJORITY; WESTERN COUNTRIES AND SOME SOUTH

AMERICAN COUNTRIES HAVE DONE NOTHING TO STOP OR PUNISH  
MERCENARIES RECRUITED FROM THEIR COUNTRIES; ASSISTANCE PROVIDED  
BY SOCIALIST COUNTRIES, BY AFRICAN COUNTRIES IN GENERAL AND BY THE  
FRONTLINE AND SCANDINAVIAN COUNTRIES IS GREATLY APPRECIATED;  
PATRIOTIC FRON DOES NOT EMBODY IDEOLOGIES FOREIGN TO ZAMBABWEAN  
MENTALITY -- " ZIMBABWEANS ARE A SOCIALIST PEOPLE WITH A STRONG  
PRACTICE OF SELF RELIANCE."

2. TEXT BY POUCH.

COMMENT: IT IS POSSIBLE THE ARTICLE WAS WRITTEN PRIOR TO THE  
LATEST DEVELOPMENTS RELATED TO RENEWED NEGOTIATIONS.  
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